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1. The following items were produced by VEB Kranbau Eberswalde during 1953 and sent to the destinations indicated:

<u>Number of units</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit cost DME</u>	<u>Exported to</u>
20	Electric cranes	c. 200,000	18 to USSR 2 to satellites
24	Steam cranes	170,000	20 to USSR 4 to satellites
4	Loading bridges	6,000-7,000 (?)	1 to USSR (Nov.) 1 to Rumania (1954) 1 to Poland (1954)
5	Derrick luffing cranes for harbors (Hafen-Bock-wippkraene) ¹	400,000	5 to USSR

2. The schedule of production for 1954 was not materially different from that of 1953.
3. VEB Kranbau now employs 2,100 persons. Its predecessor firm (Ardelt) employed 8,000 persons.
4. The Russians permitted only rejects or inferior cranes to be shipped to Western countries or to the states of the Eastern Bloc.

1. Comment: These are the so-called "H"-cranes.

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